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TITLE: METHOD FOR OPERATING A WELDING DEVICE AND ONE
SUCH WELDING DEVICE

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to further examination, please amend the above-
identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of
claims, which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 8 of this paper.